

The embodiments of the invention in which an exclusive property or privilege is claimed are defined as follows:

1. An immigration database management system for managing immigration related data stored in at least one database table comprising

- (a) a user interface component that receives user requests;
- (b) a logic component for controlling the processing of the immigration related data;
- (c) a data access component for creating the connections to the database tables; and
- (d) a server component for accessing and storing the data in the database tables.

2. The system of Claim 1, wherein the user interface component for receiving user requests comprises of at least one of a plurality of document interface methods in VISUAL BASIC™.

3. The system of Claim 1, wherein the server component for accessing and storing the data in the database tables comprises database management methods in SQL™.

4. The system of Claim 3, wherein the server component for accessing and storing the data in the database tables comprises database management methods in MSJET™.

5. A method in a computer system for providing a user-interface component for receiving user inputs comprising:

while running an immigration database management system for managing immigration related data stored in one or more database tables, iteratively performing the steps (a)-(c):

- (a) displaying a home screen;
- (b) receiving one or more requests related to immigration case management; and in response to the requests displaying the results of the requests associated with the processing of immigration information; and
- (c) managing immigration cases.

6. The method of Claim 5, wherein the request includes one or more of:

- (a) reminder;
- (b) status documents;

- (c) report menu;
- (d) projects;
- (e) standard reports;
- (f) projects due;
- (g) companies;
- (h) page;
- (i) timeline; and
- (j) exit.

7. The method of Claim 5, wherein the step of managing immigration cases comprises receiving a request to add a new article and in response to the request receiving and storing information associated with the new article.

8. The method of Claim 7, wherein the article comprises a person; an organization; a project; a status document; a site; and a page.

9. The method of Claim 7, wherein the step of receiving and storing information includes:

while running managing immigration cases, iteratively performing steps (a)-(d):

- (a) obtaining person, organization or project information;
- (b) determining whether the information entered is a project and in response to whether the information entered is a project:
  - (i) obtaining the employer related information;
  - (ii) obtaining the contact information;
- (c) determining whether a user selects add address information and in response to whether a user selects add address information entering:
  - (i) beneficiary information;
  - (ii) status document information;
  - (iii) further information;
- (d) determining whether a user selects to add additional family members or projects and in response to whether the user selects add additional family member or projects; storing the information in a database table.

10. The method of Claim 9, further comprising:

in response to whether the information entered is a project; defining a project.

11. The method of Claim 10, wherein the steps of defining a project includes:

- (a) assigning events;
- (b) assigning a timeline;
- (c) assigning a target and actual dates; and
- (d) assigning next actions.

12. The method of Claim 11, wherein the step of assigning an event to a project further comprises an event for when a project is first opened.

13. The method of Claim 11, wherein the step of assigning an event to a project further comprises an event for when a project is to proceed with preparation for filing.

14. The method of Claim 11, wherein the step of assigning an event to a project further comprises an event for when a project is filed.

15. The method of Claim 11, wherein the step of assigning an event to a project further comprises an event when a decision is received on a project.

16. The method of Claim 11, wherein the step of assigning an event to a project further comprises an event for when a project is closed.